

What is claimed is:

1. A vehicle rear structure, comprising:

a vehicle body having an opening at a rear portion of said vehicle;

5 an upper door and a lower door for closing said rear opening; and

a damper mechanism placed between an outer panel and an inner panel constituting a wall of said vehicle body and attached to at least said lower door for slowing opening and closing movements of said lower door.

10 2. A rear structure as set forth in claim 1, wherein said damper mechanism comprises:

a hinge support provided within said wall in the vicinity of a lower edge portion of said rear opening;

a hinge shaft rotatably mounted to said hinge support, said hinge shaft  
15 having a distal end extending from said wall toward the vehicle transverse center to be mounted to a lower portion of said lower door;

a hinge arm extending from said hinge shaft radially of said hinge shaft;  
and

a damper stay having a first end and a second end, said first end being  
20 connected to a distal end said hinge arm in a vertically swingable fashion, said second end being connected to a stay support within said wall in a vertically swingable fashion.

3. A rear structure as set forth in claim 1, wherein said damper mechanism  
25 comprising:

a hinge support provided within said wall in the vicinity of a lower edge

portion of said rear opening;

a hinge shaft rotatably mounted to said hinge support, said hinge shaft having a distal end extending from said wall toward the vehicle transverse center to be mounted to a lower portion of said lower door;

5 a hinge arm extending from said hinge shaft radially of said hinge shaft;

a first link having a first end connected to a distal end of said hinge arm in a vertically swingable manner;

a second link having a first end connected to a second end of said first link in a vertically swingable manner;

10 a link support provided within said wall for mounting a central portion of said second link thereto so that said second link is vertically swingable about said central portion;

a damper stay having a first end connected to a second end (66c) of said second link in a vertically swingable fashion; and

15 a stay support provided within said wall to which a second end of said damper stay is connected in a vertically swingable fashion.